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Dr. Carter serves in the Arizona Legislature. From 2010-2018, she served in the House of Representatives, where she chaired the House Health Committee for six years. Currently, she is the State Senator from LD 15 (North Phoenix, Scottsdale and Cave Creek) and is chair of Higher Education and Workforce Development committee, vice-chair of the Health and Human Services Committee and sits on the Senate Appropriations Committee.







Arizona's 2019 Legislative Session:

Arizona Public Health Association's Priorities for Public Health

AzRHC Webinar: February 21, 2019

Will Humble, MPH

Executive Director,
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Learning Objectives

- Be able to describe 3 bills that would be good for public heath that the AzPHA would like to see passed and signed this legislative session
- Be able to identify 3 bills that have been introduced and heard that would be detrimental to public health
- Be able to describe 2 ways participants can stay informed and engage in the 2019 legislative session



Oral Health Coverage for Pregnant Medicaid Members

- The 2017 State Budget restored <u>emergency</u> dental services to adult Medicaid members (including pregnant women). Benefit started 10/1/17 and is capped at \$1,000 per person/year
- <u>SB 1088</u> Dental Care During Pregnancy (Carter) will provide comprehensive oral health coverage for pregnant AHCCCS members
- Has passed the Senate Health & Human Services & Appropriations Committees
- Children (under 21) Medicaid members continue to have comprehensive (including preventative) dental coverage



Decriminalizing Syringe Access Programs

- Syringe access programs (aka needle exchange) are an evidencebased approach to providing harm reduction for injection drug users
- Social workers that provide syringe access services are often successful at engaging their clients and facilitating access to treatment
- Syringe access programming is illegal in AZ because needles are considered drug paraphernalia under state law (class 6 felony)
- HB 2148 (now HB 2718) Syringe Services Programs (Rivero) will decriminalize syringe access programs. Was be heard this week in House International Affairs Committee



Kids Care Reauthorization

- Kids Care (CHIP) provides access to care for 30,000 children in lower middle income families who make too much to qualify for Medicaid
- Parents pay an affordable premium and exchange can participate in the Kids Care program through AHCCCS
- The statute that authorized Kids Care in Arizona is predicated on the federal government paying 100% of the costs (no state match)
- The federal government will be requiring a modest state match beginning in FFY 2020
- <u>HB 2350 HB2513 SB1134</u> Kids Care (Butler, Brophy-McGee, Cobb) will reauthorize the program & pay the state match. Committee hearings this week



E-Cigarettes

- SB 1009 (Carter) Electronic Cigarettes, Tobacco Sales will expand the definition of tobacco products to include e-cigarettes
 - Makes it clear that it's illegal to sell e-cigarettes to minors
 - The penalty for selling to minors remains at \$5K
 - Passed the Senate Health & Human Services Committee last Wednesday
- HB 2024 Electronic Cigarettes- Smoke Free Arizona Act (Kavanaugh)
 - Includes e-cigarettes in the definition of tobacco products and smoking for the purposes of the Smoke Free Arizona Act
 - Because the Act was voter approved- this modification to the law will require a 3/4 majority of both houses
 - Didn't get a committee hearing in time (probably dead)



Tobacco 21

- AzPHA supports moving the purchase age for tobacco and ecigarettes to 21 from the current 18
- Smoking remains the number one preventable cause of death and chronic medical conditions
- Smoking initiation under 21 years old is strongly associated with a lifetime of smoking & people that initiate smoking after 21 are far more likely to be able to quit
- SB 1363 Tobacco Product Sales (Tobacco 21) (Carter) still needs to get through it's first committee- Senate Commerce. Probably dead



Texting & Driving

- SB 1165 Texting and Driving Prohibition (Brophy McGee)
- This bill prohibits using a hand-held cell phone while driving
- Common-sense exemptions for example if the person is using it hands free etc
- Penalties are a civil penalty (no driving points) with the first offense being between \$75-\$150 and the 2nd offense between \$150 and \$250
- Heard this Wednesday (yesterday) in Senate Transportation
 Committee



Immunization Rates

- Childhood immunization rates continue to erode in Arizona and many areas have dipped below herd immunity levels
- AzPHA supports stronger laws and policies to improve Arizona's immunization rates
- AzPHA Opposes 3 bills this session that will erode immunization rates including:
 - HB 2471 Informed Consent (Barto)
 - HB 2472 Vaccinations- Antibody Titer (Barto)
 - HB 2470 School Vaccination Requirements: Religious Exemptions
- Hearings today in House Health & Human Services Committee



Remove "Deemed Status" for Child Residential Treatment Facilities

- Todays Arizona licensing statutes provide for "deemed status" licensing of healthcare institutions including those that provide residential services to children
- Deemed status means that there are no surprise annual inspections if a facility is accredited by a 3rd party, ADHS must accept the 3rd party certification in lieu of an ADHS annual inspection
- SB 1247 Residential Care Institutions (Brophy McGee) as amended will give the option to ADHS whether or not to accept 3rd party certification in lieu of the annual inspection. Passed Senate Health & Human Services Committee

School Health Pilot Project

- SB1399 School Health Pilot Program (Pace) charges the AZ Department of Education with conducting a 3-year physical and health education professional development pilot program
- Goals are to improve the ability of physical and health educators in this state
 to provide high quality physical and health education to students and will
 evaluate h and reducing Arizona health care cost containment 10 system and
 other health-related costs.
- Appropriates \$9.5M for planning, implementing, and evaluating the pilot.
- Bill was heard in the Senate Education Committee on Tuesday, February 18



Maternal Mortality

- <u>SB 1040</u> Maternal Mortality Report (Brophy-McGee) will require the Child Fatality Review Team subcommittee on maternal mortality to compile an annual statistical report on the incidence and causes of "severe maternal morbidity" with recommendations for action.
- The current law requires a review of the data but no report or recommendations
- Unanimously passed in the full Senate and was transmitted to the House this week

Rear Facing Car Seats

- The American Academy of Pediatrics and the AAA support state requirements that children under 2 years old or under 40 lbs. be placed in a rear facing car seat for transport
- HB 2172 Rear Facing Car Seats (Bolding) sadly never even got assigned to a committee
 - Kids under two years of age would have needed to be in a rear-facing restraint system unless the child weights at least 40 pounds or is at least 40 inches tall

Regulating Tanning Bed Salons

- Tanning beds are well recognized as posing a risk for developing skin cancer
- These facilities are currently not subject to any regulation including requirements for informed consent
- SB 1119 Tanning Studios (Mendez) would have require people under 18 that want to use a commercial tanning bed service to have permission from their parent or guardian
- Failed in Senate Commerce Committee last week



Strategies to Make Exchange Plans more Affordable

- The individual health insurance market for persons that don't qualify for advance premium tax credits (over 400% of federal poverty) is a weakness in the ACA
- A bill to allow these persons to purchase health insurance through our state Medicaid program could provide additional options for these families
- Some states are applying for "1332 waivers" from the federal government to establish reinsurance programs that can reduce Marketplace premiums (w/o jeopardizing current benefits)
- Several bills were introduced but nor heard, including Medicaid buy in and a Medicaid buy-in study committee



Join AzPHA & Become Part of our Collective Voice for Public Health

- As in previous years, AzPHA will continually monitor legislation and take positions consistent with previous AzPHA Member Resolutions
- AzPHA will continue to produce weekly Pubic Health Policy Updates that summarize bills and inform members of their implications
- Action Alerts will again be produced as needed to engage our members in advocacy during session
- Our Lobbyist meets with members & testifies in committee about the bills that influence public health
- AzPHA Individual Memberships only \$75; Students \$25



Senator Heather Carter

Arizona Senate 2019 - 2020

Arizona House of Representatives, 2011-2018

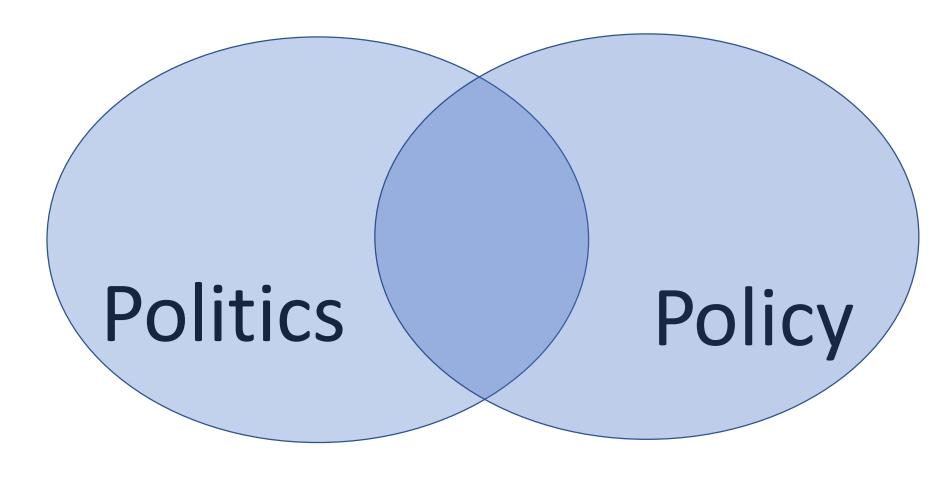
Health and Human Services Committee, Vice-Chairwoman
Higher Education and Workforce Development, Chairwoman
Member, Appropriation Committee
Chair, Diabetes Caucus
Chair, Senior Caucus
Member, Education Commission of the States

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The Key to Understanding the Process...





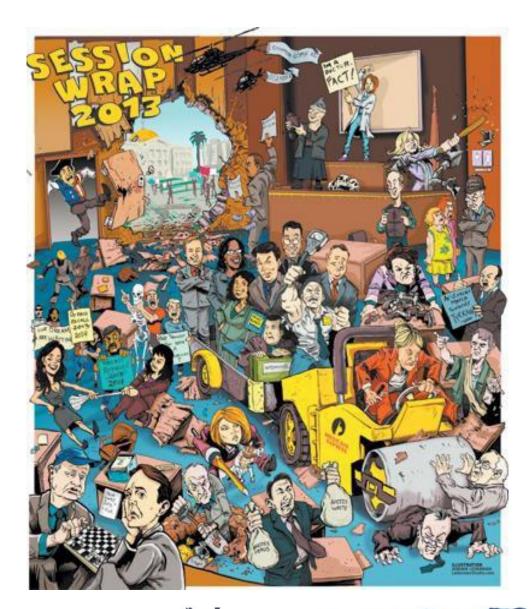


Arizona Legislature

2019 Fifty-fourth Legislature First Regular Session



- House of Representatives
- 31 Republicans
- 29 Democrats
- Senate
- 17 Republicans
- 13 Democrats



53rd Legislative Session

The 53rd Legislature, 2nd Regular session adjourned Sine Die on May 4, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

General Effective Day August 3, 2018

Legislative Summary:

- 1,206 Bills Introduced (667 House / 539 Senate)
 - -370 bills passed (212 House / 158 Senate)
 - 347 new laws signed by the Governor
 - (Vetoed by Governor 23)
- 28 Memorials and Resolutions (15 House / 13 Senate)





Constitutional Job...

A Balanced Budget



ARIZONA AS AN ENTERPRISE

- \$40.5 billion dollars, including all revenue sources.
- General Fund budget is \$10.39 billion.
- 67% of that revenue is mandatory spending, either...
 - Voter mandated
 - Population and inflation
- We fund three main areas...
 - Education, healthcare, and public safety

Budget Process 101

Arizona FISCAL YEAR is July 1st to June 30th = 12 months

•START THE PROCESS

- Agencies submit budgets to Governor = September before session
- OSPB shares with JLBC
- Both prepare revenue estimates
- Session starts
 - State of the State
 - Friday: The Budget Book!
 - JLBC Baseline Document (not a budget proposal)

•THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS

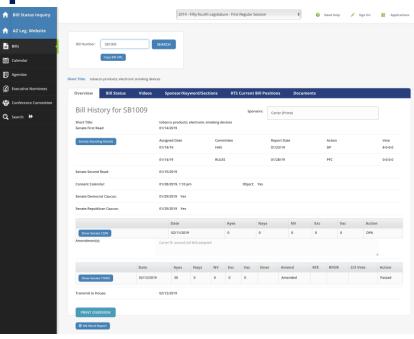
No two session are alike....

BUDGET TIME!

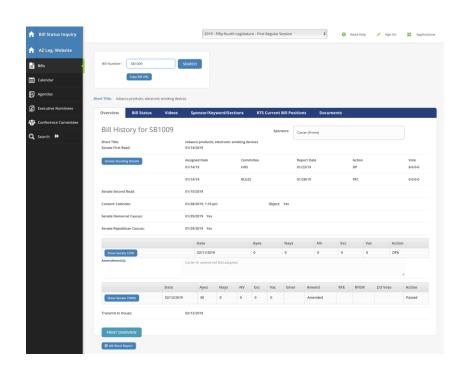
- House and Senate must pass a set of 'bills' General Appropriations, Capital Outlay, and BRBs
- Send to Governor Sign, Ignore, Veto, Line-item Veto
- •General Appropriation Act take effect immediately & BRBs take effect 90 days after https://www.azleg.gov/jlbc/budgetupdates.htm session

Request to Speak





Two views....



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Spk	Position	Name		Representing	Comments		Status
No	Against	Jason Bezozo	2 ₽	BANNER HEALTH ARIZONA			93
No	For	Terrance Traylor	2/	Self			29
No	Against	Tara Plese	1 .	AZ Alliance For Community Health Centers			9
No	Against	Susan Cannata	₽	Arizona Chapter Of The American Academy Of Pediatrics			<u>19</u>
No	Against	Jaime Molera	.₽	MERCY CARE			9
No	Against	Pat VanMaanen	2	Self			<u>-</u>
No	Against	Greg Ensell	2 ₽ 2 ✓	AZ HOSPITAL & HEALTHCARE ASSN			<u>-</u>
No	Against	Kelly Fine	. ₽	AZ PHARMACY ASSOCIATION			<u>-</u>
No	Against	Kathi Beranek	.₽	Blue Cross Blue Shield Of Arizona			Gi .
If Necessary	Against	Joan Koerber-Walker	2.	Self			<u>-</u>
No	Against	Judith Simons	2	Self	Unnecessary b	urden on medical	9
Yes	Against	Steve Barclay	№ %	Arizona Medical Association, Arizona Osteopathic Medical Association, MAYO CLINIC ARIZONA	Adding Mayo C	linic as opposed	<u>-</u>
No	Against	Alicia Klassen	2	Self	Please trust ou physicians	r state's	G .
No	Against	Laura Dearing	2 ₽	The Arizona Academy Of Family Physicians			<u>@</u>
No	Against	Michael Do, MD	2/	Self	l'm a pediatricia bill	an and am this	93
Yes	For	Annette Hardman		Self	Why have anot	her vaccine if we	<u>@</u>
If Necessary	Against	Mary Ellen Rimsza MD	2	Self	This bill encour	ages parents to	9
If Necessary	Against	Pete Wertheim	.	Arizona Osteopathic Medical Association			See .
No	Against	Erika Mach	2/	Self)
If Necessary	Against	Lisa Soltani	2/	Self	As a primary ca	re physician for	93

Thank You!



2019 Arizona Legislative Update Discussion



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